



# CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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**AGENDA TITLE:** Adopt Resolution Approving One-Year Extension of Tree Trimming 2007 Contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton (\$53,000)

**MEETING DATE:** March 5, 2008

**PREPARED BY:** Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt a resolution approving a one-year extension of the Tree Trimming 2007 contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton, in an amount not to exceed \$53,000.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** This project provides for the structural pruning and maintenance trimming of trees in a grid program and would complete up to an additional 898 trees based on the existing grid pruning contract that was first awarded to West Coast Arborists, Inc., on February 21, 2007. The contractor has offered to extend the existing contract for an additional year with no cost increase.

The per-tree cost of \$59 has accomplished pruning of a total of 1,185 trees at a cost just under \$70,000 with exceptional results. Additional funding from the general fund in the amount of \$18,500 was provided in the current fiscal year which helped to keep the tree trimming on an eight-year cycle, as opposed to a 12-year cycle without the additional funds.

The current contract contains options to renew, if mutually agreeable. West Coast Arborists has offered to extend the contract for an additional year honoring the prices for both the grid pruning and the optional bid items (emergency tree removal, stump grinding, etc.).

Staff is requesting the approval now in order to secure this excellent price for next year while contractors are committing to this coming summer's work.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This contract extension will total no more than \$53,000 and will be funded from the Streets and Drainage operating budget with additional funding from the general fund, subject to budget approval and appropriation. If necessary, the contract amount can be reduced to match available funds to a minimum of \$10,000.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** This project will be included in the FY 08/09 budget from the Streets and Drainage operating budget (3215036).

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**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Blair King, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-\_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL  
APPROVING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE TREE  
TRIMMING 2007 CONTRACT WITH WEST COAST  
ARBORISTS, INC.

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WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to West Coast Arborists, Inc, of Stockton, by the Lodi City Council on February 21, 2007, and that contract contains options to renew; and

WHEREAS, West Coast Arborists, Inc., has agreed to extend the contract for an additional year honoring the prices for both grid pruning and optional bid items; and

WHEREAS, the per-tree cost of \$59 is a substantial reduction from previous bids that had offered an average cost of \$159 per tree; and

WHEREAS, since the awarding of this contract, a total of 1,185 trees have been trimmed with exceptional results; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve a one-year extension of the Tree Trimming 2007 contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton, California, in an amount not to exceed \$53,000, subject to actual funding in the fiscal year 2008/09 budget with a minimum award amount of \$10,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of this extension shall be for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

Dated: March 5, 2008

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2008-\_\_\_\_\_ was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held March 5, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

RANDI JOHL  
City Clerk